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FEBRUARY 23, 2006 MINUTES

The twenty-fifth meeting of the Los Angeles Regional Crime Laboratory Facility Authority was held February 23, 2006 at California State University of Los Angeles, Golden Eagle Ballroom 3rd Floor, 5151 State University Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90032

CALL TO ORDER

Chair William J. Bratton called the meeting to order at 8:20 a.m. The following Directors were present constituting a quorum of the Authority:

Leroy D. Baca, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
William J. Bratton, Chief of Police, Los Angeles Police Department
William T. Fujioka, City Administrative Officer, City of Los Angeles
Dr. Steven N. Garcia, Finance and Administration, California State University of Los Angeles

APPROVAL OF JULY 28, 2005 MINUTES

On motion of Director Fujioka, seconded by Director Baca, the Authority unanimously approved the July 28, 2005 minutes.

CHAIR'S REPORT

There were none.

ACTION ITEMS

Election of Officers for the Year of 2006:

On motion of Director Bratton, seconded by Director Fujioka, the Authority unanimously elected Director Garcia as Chairperson.

On motion of Director Bratton, seconded by Director Fujioka, the Authority unanimously reelected Director Baca as Vice-Chairperson.

On motion of Director Fujioka, seconded by Director Bratton, the Authority unanimously reelected Director Janssen as Secretary.

Approve and authorize the Chair to sign Correspondence regarding Assignment of Facility Space to California Criminalistics Institute of California Department of Justice and Transmit Executed Documents to CSU, DGS, SPWB and OES for Consideration and Approval: Mr. Mallon reported approval of the recommendation will allow the JPA to submit a request to CSU the California State Department of General Services, the California State Public Works Board, and the California State Office of Emergency Services soliciting their written concurrence and consent and approval, respectively, for the non-exclusive use of space within the Los Angeles

Regional Crime Laboratory Facility by CCI for the provision of specialized forensic science training. Currently all specialized forensic science training is conducted in Sacramento. In response to Director Baca, Mr. Mallon advised the specialized forensic science training will be conducted in the Los Angeles Regional Crime Laboratory Facility in a 2000 sq. ft. office space.

On motion of Director Baca, seconded by Director Fujioka, the Authority unanimously approved Adopting support for Assignment of Facility Space to California Criminalistics Institute of California Department of Justice and Direct the Chair to Transmit the Executed Documents to CSU, DGS, SPWB and OES for their consideration and approval.

STAFF REPORTS

Budget & Potential Change Orders: Paul Davidson, Department of General Services, reported the project's budget is in good standing. Overall budget for the project was \$78,580,000 and has been amended to \$78,566,645. Overall project completion date was 9/11/06 and has been amended to 02/05/07. There have been a total of seven change orders for a dollar value of -\$13,354, with 38 potential change orders estimated at \$277,543.

Director Bratton asked for the potential cost impact of rain delays. In response to Director Bratton, Mr. Davidson advised a 40 day weather float contingency is included in the program with 37 days still available if needed. Further, Mr. Davidson added the group is committed to completing the project on schedule.

Director Fujioka wants to program the 2006-07 City budget to ensure funding availability and asked for the status of the escrow account and availability of unused funds. Although supplemental funding is in the escrow account, Mr. Davidson will try in earnest to not use the funds available. Also, he will provide early indicators concerning any budget changes to the Authority as needed.

Construction & Schedule Activities: James Hall, Jacobs Facilities, Inc. reported the Construction schedule was reworked to reflect the panelization of the exterior sheathing and resequencing of exterior activities. Schedule currently indicates project is three calendar days behind. DWP issues have been resolved and the electrical vaults were poured in addition to the main electrical room slab on the floor. Significant drywall has been placed on all floors including the penthouse level. All major mechanical equipment items have been placed in the building in addition to elevator motors, controllers and rails. Site walls are 95% complete. Site preparation for the placement of driveways and side walks along the State University Drive are underway. Placement of these drives and walkways should occur in early February 2006.

Contractor has installed waterproof drywall in critical areas to minimize any potential weather impact to interior materials. Ongoing coordination between all trades is occurring to minimize conflict and excessive stacking of trades and laborers. The user group have a number of purchases to make prior to the completion of the facility including telephone/data systems, modular systems furniture, office furniture and equipment. Refinement of the purchasing process is critical to timely purchasing and deliveries.

Director Baca expressed concern in using the annex area as storage place, and noted the reference library and meeting hall is unappealing. Director Baca recommended seeking other options including the possibility of a museum/tour guide room on the premises. Director Fujioka concurred and added exploring other options would be beneficial. In response to Director Garcia, Mr. Hall advised any changes at this stage of the project may adversely affect the project's budget.

Mr. Davidson recommended creating a task force to expeditiously review/consider all available options regarding desired changes to the annex building.

CALIFORNIA FORENSIC SCIENCE INSTITUTE UPDATE

Approve and Authorize the Chair to sign the JPA letter Supporting Allocation of Federal Funds for the California Forensic Science Institute: Rose Ochi, Executive Director, CFSI, requested the JPA's authorization to approve a FY 2007 \$2,000,000 earmark for CFSI to become part of the National Institute of Justice Forensic Resource Network. Ms. Ochi advised the project is supported by the Los Angeles City Mayor's office as well as CSULA.

On motion of Director Fujioka, seconded by Director Garcia, the Authority unanimously approved sending a letter supporting Allocation of Federal Funds for the California Forensic Science Institute.

CONSIDERATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Mallon reported RFP for modular systems furniture, office furniture and equipment furnishing for the building are being processed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Beatrice Yoker suggested consideration be given to the front entrance of the annex and its overall significance to the image of the Los Angeles Regional Crime Laboratory Facility.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:17 a.m.